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Sir:

A Second Reply to Supplemental Examiner's Answer was filed on March 17, 2008. No additional Answer has been received, and PAIR does not show that the case was forwarded to the Board of Appeals. If the case has in fact been forwarded to the Board, then the SPE is requested to have the Examiner notify Ms. Linda Jones at 202-659-2930, Ext. 204, as to this fact, with indication of where transfer to the Board is recorded in PAIR or elsewhere.

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